

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating the allowability of claims 1-8, 12, 16, 19, 21, 28-29, 33, 35-37 and 39. Reconsideration and allowance of the present application based on the following remarks are respectfully requested. Claims 34 and 38 have been amended. Support for the amendment may be found throughout the specification, for example at page 16, line 17. Upon entry of the above amendments, claims 1-8, 12, 16, 19, 21, 28-29 and 33-39, as amended, will be pending.

Claims 34 and 38 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(b) in view of Aloisio. The amendments to the claims as presented are believed to address the Examiner's concerns as expressed in the Advisory Action. Accordingly, Applicants submit the amendments agreed upon during a telephone discussion with the Examiner on October 25, 2005.

Therefore, all objections and rejections having been addressed, it is respectfully submitted that the present application is in a condition for allowance and a Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Should any issues remain unresolved, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney for Applicants at the telephone number indicated below in order to expeditiously resolve any remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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